

# EDIBLE CITIES NETWORK NEWSLETTER



Dear Edible Cities Network supporter,

Please read on to learn more about our upcoming events and discover the latest news from the Network.

## Edible Cities Network Global Lunch Talk #9

Our next lunch talk will take place on **June 14th 13:00-14:00 CEST**. During this webinar, Martin Stelter from [Stadtbiene](#) and Steve Rogenstein from [The Ambeessadors](#) will talk about the benefits of having pollinators in cities and how we can practice eco-friendly urban beekeeping. Find out more and [sign up for the online event here](#).

Sign up for the Lunch Talk



EDICITNET GLOBAL LUNCH TALKS :  
URBAN FOOD INNOVATION

### Urban Beekeeping & the Benefits of Pollinators in Our Cities

With Martin Stelter from Stadtbiene and Steve  
Rogenstein from The Ambeessadors

14th June 2023 | 13.00-14.00 CEST

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And in case you missed our last lunch talk—Building a Network of Green Initiatives for Resilience and Increased Impact with Paul de Graaf from Rotterdam's [Groen010](#)—you can now watch the recording [here](#).

## Sustainable Entrepreneurship Workshop

The Edible Cities Marketplace is organising a Sustainable Entrepreneurship Workshop on **June 26th 13:30-15:00 CEST**

Do you want to develop a solution for supporting sustainable food production and consumption in your city? In this workshop, you will

learn about the most important first steps to take as an aspiring edible city entrepreneur. Next to receiving insights into sustainable business model development with the Edible City Solution Canvas, you will be able to take inspiration from good-practice examples of successful edible city solutions and business models. [Find out more and register for the event here.](#)

Register here



**EDICITNET MARKETPLACE PRESENTS:**  
**Founding an Edible City Initiative:  
First steps to kick-start your entrepreneurial journey**  
(with Klaus Fichter and Thomas Neumann from Borderstep Institute  
for Innovation and Sustainability)  
*Monday, June 26th 13:30 -15:00 (CEST)*

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## Conference videos online

In case you didn't get the chance to attend [Advancing the Edible City: Ideas, Practices & Systems](#)—the second Edible Cities Network conference, which took place in March in Barcelona—you can now find the recordings of the first- and last-day sessions on our YouTube channel.

Watch the videos here

## Conference on sustainable food systems

**Local food systems, local food policies and public procurement of food and catering: When is local (more) sustainable?**

This three-day conference, **taking place September 25-27 in Oslo**, discusses whether, and under which conditions, buying local is indeed more sustainable, and how municipalities can promote local food systems, beyond the use of public procurement.

Find out more about the program and the ongoing call for papers [here](#).



## CLEVER Cities Final Conference

### Nature in the City - Advancing Social Impact through NbS

Our sister project [CLEVER Cities](#), in collaboration with the City of Hamburg and ICLEI Europe, will hold its final conference in **September in Hamburg**.

The event will take place September 26th and 27th, with an optional welcome lecture on the 25th, and site visits on the 28th. The central focus event is city perspectives on the co-creation, financing, implementation, and evaluation of nature-based solutions. The event is the culminating output of the Horizon 2020 CLEVER Cities project, and is envisioned as an opportunity for NbS projects, engaged community members, and committed cities to come together to share their learnings, challenges, and plans for the future. Find out more about the event [here](#).

## Upcoming events in Rotterdam

If you happen to be in Rotterdam at some point in summer, here are some events that might be of your interest:

**June 15th - Outdoor Office Day:** Meet up with a colleague in the park, organise a meeting or sign up for a workplace at one of the participating green locations. you can register via the National Park Rotterdam website for a green workplace at one of the green locations participating in Outdoor Office Day. For locations and inspiration, visit: [www.nationaalparkstadrotterdam.nl/outdoorofficeday](http://www.nationaalparkstadrotterdam.nl/outdoorofficeday)

**June 16th - Meeting Working Group Visibility and Values** (15:00–17:00) and **Green Café** (17:00–18:00) at [Groene Oase op Zuid](#)

**August 18th - Green Café** (16:00–18:00) at [Droommmland, Hilligersberg](#)

## Edible Cities Network Final Project Meeting

The Edible Cities Network Final Project Meeting will take place

## September 4-5 in Berlin.

Over the past five years, the Edible Cities Network project has been working towards **making cities around the world better places to live** through the integration of Edible City Solutions (ECS) in our cities - from urban gardens to vertical farms and community kitchens. Join us for our final project meeting and explore the **best practices and lessons learned during the project lifetime** - together with representatives of the thirty-two consortium partners, including universities, research institutes, local city administrations, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and other Edible City Solutions around the world.

During the two-day event you will get the chance to hear from the City Teams in the Front Runner Cities, who designed and implemented different ECS—from community-supported agriculture programmes and water recycling technologies to networking strategies for green city initiatives—in their Living Labs. You will also meet representatives of the City Teams in the Follower Cities, who co-developed Edible City Master Plans for their own urban contexts and to tackle specific societal challenges. [Register here to express your interest in attending.](#)

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## AIPH World Green City Awards 2024

The **AIPH World Green City Awards** are the only global awards for cities where plants and nature are the core focus. Designed to champion ambitious nature-orientated approaches to city design and operation, the Awards celebrate bold and innovative action that harnesses the power of plants and nature to create greener, healthier, and more resilient cities. AIPH initiated these awards to bring wide recognition to the value of plants and nature in providing solutions for common city problems and create an enabling environment to shape and nurture a strategic shift in city governance/planning.

The 2024 edition of the AIPH World Green City Awards, which is now open for submissions, is offered in 7 categories, with 3 finalists in each category from which one category winner is selected, and with 1 Grand Winner selected from the 7 category winners. **New to the 2024 edition is a category specifically dedicated to “Living Green for Urban Agriculture and Food Systems.”** Please note that the call is open only to city authorities. Learn more about the awards

and submit your application [here](#).

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